

Steps to Become a “Supervised Person”

Qualifications for testing chlorine residual and turbidity in drinking water systems

Definition of a “Supervised Person”:

Ontario Regulation 170/03 requires persons taking a chlorine residual or turbidity test to hold either a valid drinking water operator’s certificate or be a trained person (depending on the category of the system). The regulation also allows persons working under the supervision of a certified operator to conduct these tests in the following types of water systems:

- a small municipal residential system
- a non-municipal year-round residential system
- a large municipal non-residential system serving a designated facility
- a large non-municipal non-residential system serving a designated facility
- a small municipal non-residential system serving a designated facility
- a small non-municipal non-residential system serving a designated facility
- a non-municipal seasonal system serving a designated facility.

A “supervised person” is a person who:

- 1) has been trained by a certified operator to conduct the test
- 2) works under the supervision of a certified operator
- 3) immediately advises a certified operator of all test results.

Only persons holding a water treatment, water distribution, or water quality analyst certificate may take chlorine residual in a large municipal residential system.

A booklet entitled “*Training Manual for Supervised Persons Conducting Operational Checks*” is available for certified operators to train supervised persons. The manual is available free of charge at www.ene.gov.on.ca/envision/water/sdwa/dwsr.htm.

